Abstract

A device for use to automatically navigate to a pre-programmed address in a network. The navigation device includes an interface coupling circuit, a microprocessor, a memory device and an input device. The navigation device may be easily transported by the holder and is preferably in the shape of a card or token. The navigation device is programmed to store a unique identification number and at least one network address. In operation, the holder places the navigation device in contact with or in proximity to an interface, whereby the stored network address is automatically retrieved from the memory device and a web browser application is accessed and navigates to the particular address. If more than one address is stored in the memory device, then the navigation device selects the appropriate address based on a condition or event. In addition to automatically navigating the holder to a desired address in the network, the device can be used to automatically navigate to favorite addresses, each being assigned to a corresponding key or sequence of keys on the input device. Accordingly, the holder may access a favorite address in the network, without each time having to enter the appropriate text, by selecting the associated key or sequence of keys via the input device.

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